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Chicago newsmen start magazine for muckraking

A new weekly magazine, which, according to its publisher, Brian Boyer, will investigate cheating and corruption in government and industry will begin publication in Chicago September 21.

Called the *Chicago Free Press*, an 8½ by 11 web offset job, a circulation for the first issue of 40,000 copies at a newsstand price of 50 cents per copy is anticipated. Boyer said advertising cost of a black-and-white page will cost \$400.

The publisher, a former reporter and rewrite man for the *Chicago Sun-Times*, said the magazine will be a tough, investigative journal that will focus all its energies on the events which affect the lives of the Chicago area's residents.

It will also carry features, criticism and columns. Jim Brosnan, baseball pitcher turned author, will be sports editor.

Christopher Chandler, former *Sun-Times* reporter, editor of the *Free Press*, said the magazine will attempt some new approaches in style and perspective. Major events in the Chicago area will be embodied in a news of the week section. Feature articles will be written in a personal style, Chandler said.

Other staffers are James Touhy, another former *Sun-Times* reporter, who will edit the news of the week section, and will also contribute a column on the lighter side of city living; Marco Trbovich, a writer, actor and folk singer; Terrence Sheridan, formerly a reporter with the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, and Anthony Monahan, editor of *Midwest*

Magazine of the Sun-Times and a former assistant editor of the *Chicago Tribune Magazine*.

Boyer, 31, is editor of *Chicago Journalism Review*. Chandler is founding editor and an associate editor of *Chicago Journalism Review*.